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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: Nucleic Acid and Amino Acid Sequences Relating to *Candida albicans* for Diagnostics and Therapeutics

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**REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 19, 2006 the claims of Group I (Claims 1-8 and 11-13) drawn to isolated nucleic acids encoding *Candida albicans* polypeptides, expression vectors comprising said nucleic acids, host cells comprising said expression vectors; methods of producing a polypeptide by culturing said host cells; and vaccines comprising said nucleic acids are elected for prosecution. Applicants reserve the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the invention of Group II (Claim 9), Group III (Claim 10), Group IV (Claims 14-16), Group V (Claims 17-20), Group VI (Claim 21-23), Group VII (Claim 24), Group VIII (Claim 25), Group IX (Claims 26),

Group X (Claim 27) and Group XI (Claim 28). Applicant does not hereby abandon or waive any rights in Groups II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X and XI.

Responsive to the requirement for election of species for searching purposes, Applicant hereby further elects the isolated nucleic acid SEQ ID NO:2923 encoding the polypeptide SEQ ID NO:17026 as the species. The claims of Group I (Claims 1-8 and 11-13) are readable on the elected species.

A five (5) month extension of time to respond to the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested. A Petition for a five (5) month extension of time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.